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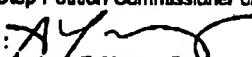
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

This is an Amendment in response to the Supplemental *Ex Parte Quale* Action mailed September 3, 2004, setting a shortened 2-month period for response ending November 3, 2004, and for which any requisite extension is hereby petitioned.

Applicants again gratefully acknowledge that this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, which are believed resolved by this Amendment.